



HIPAA INFO



This flyer is the second in a series of flyers published by the Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services, offering providers information concerning HIPAA readiness. The flyers will contain the most current and updated information on HIPAA compliance. In addition, the Department encourages providers to pay close attention to their weekly remittance advice in order to keep abreast of actions that need to be taken to be HIPAA compliant.

AVOID THE WAITING GAME! CONTINUE TO MOVE TOWARD HIPAA COMPLIANCE!!!!

- Learn what your vendor is doing to remediate your billing system. Look at www.hipaa.org/pmsdirectory for a voluntary listing of what many vendors are doing and when they will be ready for testing.
- Utilize the HIPAA Transaction Implementation Guides (IGs) to remediate your internally developed systems. The May 2000 IGs are available for free at www.wpc-edi.com. The combined IGs that include the addenda update from October 2002 are available at a price from the same site.
- Gather payer-specific requirements via your payer or clearinghouse companion guides. Refer to the payer schedule hosted by WEDI and CAQH at <http://www.wedi.org/snip/CAQHIMPTOOLS>.
- Get up to speed on ANSI X12. If you don't understand the underlying standards, consider sending someone from your office to detailed X12 training. Check out www.edipartners.com for the best X12 training around.
- Contact Unisys and arrange for testing of EDI transactions.

If you have any questions about Trading Partner testing with Kentucky Medicaid, call the Unisys EDI Technical Support Help Desk at (800) 205-4696. The hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 7:30AM – 6:00PM Eastern Time.

Additional information may be found on the CHS website *located at:*
<http://chs.state.ky.us/dms/>